



Re the Application of:

COATES ET AL

Application No.: 09/753221

Filed: December 29, 2000

For: A DISTRIBUTED STORAGE CLUSTER

ARCHITECTURE

Art Group: 2142

Examiner: Prieto, Beatriz

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In accordance with the duty of disclosure, enclosed is a copy of IDS Citation Form PTO/SB/08 or PTO-1449, together with copies of the documents cited on that form, except for copies not required to be submitted (e.g., copies of U.S. patents and U.S. published patent applications need not be enclosed). This IDS and IDS Citation Form are being submitted on or before payment of the Issue Fee. It is respectfully requested that the cited references be considered and that the enclosed copy of PTO/SB/08 be initialed by the Examiner to indicate such consideration and a copy thereof returned to applicant(s). Some or all of the references listed on the enclosed PTO/SB/08 were previously identified in the parent application (Application No. 09/695,499, filed October 23, 2000) and copies of the references were furnished at that time. Accordingly, per 37 CFR §1.98(d)(1) additional copies of those references are not submitted herewith.

The submission of this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made in the subject application and is not to be construed as an admission that the information cited in this statement is material to patentability.

MUST FILE A CPA OR RCE

Respec	tfully	submitte	d.
ICODUC	LLUIIY	Submitte	u,

BLAKELY, SOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN LLP

Gregory D. Caldwell, Reg. No. 39,926

12400 Wilshire Boulevard, 7th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90025

Telephone: (503) 439-8778

Date: November 22, 2004

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

_

Date

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 **of** 1

Complete if Known				
Application Number	09/753221			
Filing Date	December 29, 2000			
First Named Inventor	Coates et al			
Art Unit	2142			
Examiner Name	Prieto, Beatriz			
Attorney Docket Number	42390P19172X3			

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number Number - Kind Code² (if known)	Publication Date or Issue Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
_	1	US-6,360,306 B1	05-19-2002	Bergsten	
	2	US-6,081,883	06-27-2000	Popekla et, al.	
	3	US-6,324,581 B1	11-27-2001	Xu et, al.	
	4	US-6,356,929	05-12-2002	Gall et, al.	
	5	US-5,948,062	09-07-1999	Tzelnic et, al	
	6	US-6,304,980	10-16-2001	Beardsley et, al	
	7	US-6,442,548	08-27-2002	Bealabine et, al	
		US-			

	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS					
	Cite Foreign Patent Document				Pages, Columns, Lines,	
	No.'	Country Code ³ - Number ⁴ - Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	
	8	WO 01/66707 A2	09-13-2001	Coates et, al.		
			<u></u>			
······································						-
						-

Examiner	Date	
Signature	Considered	

'Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 'See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. 'Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 'For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 'Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. 'Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Based on PTO/SB/08A (08-03) as modified by Blakely, Solokoff, Taylor & Zafman (wlr) 08/11/2003.

^{*}Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication.